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ASLEEP IN DEATH.

Susan J. English Died Suddenly Thursday Morning. Obituary of Tennessee see Jane McMurtry.

Susan J. English died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Stone, two miles southeast of this city on Thursday, March 15, 1906. She had been in poor health several years but her death was sudden. She was as well as usual when she arose in the morning but when she was dressing herself preparatory for breakfast she was stricken with a brain attack which resulted fatal in a few minutes. The only evidence of suffering was a scream indicating pain following which she fell backwards and lapsed into unconsciousness and death.

Funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Stone on Saturday, conducted by Rev. W. M. Covert, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and interment was made in Highland Cemetery.

The deceased was 72 years, 4 months and 21 days of age. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, Benjamin English and Mrs. H. M. Stone of this place, and R. S. English of Sawyer, Pratt county.

Tennessee Jane Warren, born July 22, 1870, died March 11, 1906, at 6:10 p. m. aged 35 years, 7 months and 22 days. She was born in Missouri and was the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Warren of Sharon township. In 1889 she was united in marriage to Marvin McMurtry and since the opening of the strip they have resided on a farm six miles west of Cherokee, Oklahoma. To them eight children were born. In 1884 she united with the Christian church at Sharon and in 1894 became a member of the Baptist church near Short Springs, Oklahoma.

As a consistent christian, a faithful and affectionate wife, a kind and loving mother, a dutiful daughter and a true friend she was beloved by all who knew her.

To know Tennie McMurtry was to love her. Only a year ago she was stricken with the dread disease, consumption, and in vain everything was done that skill and loving friends could do. She failed rapidly and quietly passed away at her parents' residence surrounded by devoted relatives and friends. She leaves a husband and seven children, her parents, J. H. Warren and wife of Sharon, Mrs. Carrie Ward of Sharon, Mrs. Ida Cunningham of Ashley, Oklahoma, Mrs. Josie White of Alva, Oklahoma, and Miss Meta Warren of Sharon, her sisters, and Frank Warren, our present county treasurer, her brother, and a host of friends both in Sharon, her girlhood home, and near Cherokee, Oklahoma, her home of recent years.

To the bereaved ones we say, grieve not, for your loved one's troubles are over and she rests in peace above.

Funeral services were held at her father's residence near Sharon Tuesday. Rev. Tilberry of Carmen, Oklahoma, conducted the services and the remains were interred in the cemetery at Sharon.

Money to loan. Inquire of Seward I. Field.

New Spring goods constantly arriving at A. B. Wilkins & Co's.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Hammond of Winfield, Kansas, on Tuesday, March 13th, a son. The young gentleman's name is Edwin Brandt Hammond. Their Medicine Lodge friends extend congratulations.

COMMON SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The examinations for graduation from the public schools, which will be held Friday and Saturday, March 30 and 31, 1906, will be held at the following places commencing at 8:30 A. M.:

District No. 51, Sun City.
District No. 43, Isabel.
District No. 58, Mumford.
District No. 28, Sharon
District No. 1, Medicine Lodge.
District No. 37, Hazelton.
District No. 9, Roundup.
District No. 52, Graves School.

The examination is open to all pupils of the county and the examination may all be taken this year, or a part may be taken this year, and the balance next year; all grades of 80 per cent or better made this year, will be credited upon the examination for next year. To graduate requires that no grade be below 60 per cent and the general average must reach at least 80 per cent. The usual fee of 25 cents will be charged each applicant but this covers both days' work. Each applicant must furnish his own paper and pencils and the paper should be legal cap or regular examination paper.

Friday, March 30, Orthography, Reading, Writing, Geography and Physiology will be given; Saturday, March 31, Arithmetic, Grammar, Civil Government, U. S. History and Kansas History. Algebra may also be taken, if desired. Those who have grades to carry over, should note on which days these subjects come, so as not to miss the subjects they desire to take. Let every applicant be present at the time for the examination to begin.

In addition to the free scholarships offered by the various colleges of the state, the Board of Education of Medicine Lodge also offers a year's free scholarship in the High School to the graduate of the Common Schools securing first and second highest grades.

P. L. Lake, County Supt.

Nate Taylor returned Monday night from Fort Scott where he has been attending college.

W. A. Myers is very low and his death would not come as a surprise any moment. The entire community is deeply saddened by this great affliction which has visited this good family.

Our old friend, T. L. Sale, writes from Roanoke, Virginia, that he hasn't received a copy of the Index since going there last fall, and the postmaster at Roanoke instructs us that the paper remains dead and unclaimed in his office. There is a screw loose somewhere. If this paper fails to reach Brother Sale we will get his photograph and paste it on the next one so that the Roanoke P. M. will be able to know him when he calls.

Sheriff C. D. Cutler of Harper county brought a prisoner over last Friday and committed him to Sheriff Haun's care. The Harper county jail has been condemned and a new court house and jail is being agitated by our neighbor. Until a suitable place can be provided, our sheriff will probably take care of Harper county's prisoners.

Ninety-three dollars pays the entire cost—Tuition, Board and Books—for a four-months Graduation Course in either Bookkeeping or Shorthand in the fast growing Anthony Commercial College. Eleven Departments, Seven Instructors, Cheapest rate of any first-class Business College in the West. Write today for catalogue.—W. A. Gulledege, A. M., L. L. B., Anthony, Kansas.

Corn chop, bran and shorts at A. B. Wilkins & Co's.

The peach crop is pronounced safe by our horticulturists in spite of the late freezes.

The city is facing another scarcity of coal. It doesn't often happen this late in the season.

People say that the finest groceries in town are at H. T. Woodward's & Son's. Phone 38.

Clarence Rudolph came in from Kansas City Saturday to visit his mother and friends a few days.

D. C. Funk was again called to Wichita last week on account of the serious illness of his brother, Allen.

Kramer's Wanda, high patent flour, is the best in the market. Sold by H. D. Fair.

Mrs. A. T. McKay of Kansas City is expected in on a visit with her mother, Mrs. Susie Simpson, today.

On account of cold weather I postponed my horse sale at Coats on 16th until March 30th.—E. Shore.

Mrs. Scott Rubert of this city and Mrs. Bourne of Sharon announce their millinery openings in the Index this week. Look them up.

Agent R. A. Edgar has recently copyrighted his new Way Bill System and it ought to make him a nice sum of money. The railroads are badly in need of a better system.

Mrs. Geo. Larkin of Deerhead is taking a course of treatment at Dr. Kociell's office. A trained nurse is assisting in caring for her. Her ailment is of a chronic nature.

Mrs. J. D. Pursell, who has been here caring for her daughter, Mrs. McCague, was called to her home at Alva last week on account of the serious illness of her husband.

Waldron Chase put in an elegant new lighting system in the Denver, Kansas & Gulf offices on north Main last Friday. All they lack there now are the street cars, to make them strictly metropolitan.

Rev. W. H. Moore went to Hutchinson Monday to attend the annual M. E. conference. If the wishes of the church as well as the public generally are gratified, Rev. Moore will be returned to this charge.

C. S. Palmer from up the river called Saturday and registered a kick because his paper gets to his box on the route so irregularly. We can't understand it. The trouble is certainly not at this end of the route.

Jess T. Peterie and Ethel Bailey, two popular young people of Isabel, were united in marriage by Probate Judge C. S. Gleason on St. Patrick's day, Saturday, the 17th, in this city. May their married life be ever blessed with sunshine and happiness.

The attention of our readers, particularly those in the vicinity of Lake City, is invited to the advertisement of Hastings & Lake in this issue. This firm is making prices and carrying goods that it will pay the public to investigate. In addition to this they are nice men to deal with.

The city marshal scented a lively poker game in the rear of one of the city's popular resorts one night last week but when he tapped gently on the door and applied for admittance the lights went out and all was quiet within. The marshal informed the sports that he would like to be dealt a hand but he was politely informed that the jack-pot had just been opened. This ended the game.

Mrs. W. H. McCague is improving again.

Wall paper at Adams & Co's. The very latest and all qualities.

High Patent Flour, \$2.25 per hundred, at H. T. Woodward's & Son.

For sale or exchange of same breeding, one Poll-Angus Bull. O. W. Rule, Sharon, Kans.

For the best Red River seed potatoes go to A. B. Wilkins & Co. Bliss, Triumph, Early Ohio and Early Rose.

Another change in the evening time table went into effect Monday. The train now leaves at 5:20 and returns at 8:30.

FOR SALE—Rose Comb Brown Leghorn eggs, 50 cents setting or \$3.00 per hundred.—Leonard Ott, Medicine Lodge, Ks.

Hon. J. W. Aiton of Wichita was in the city the greater portion of last week and part of this week, writing life insurance.

Node Myers arrived from the southwestern country last week, having been called here by the critical illness of his brother, Will.

WANTED—200 or 300 cattle to pasture for the season. Plenty of good grass and water. Range on Cedar Creek. Address H. J. Parker, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

The Index is under obligations to Frank Forbes for two fine ducks donated last Friday. He has our consent to do it again and others are not barred. In the hour of thy prosperity remember the editor in his (li) bilious moments.

Just received, a large and complete assortment of Boys' and Youths' clothing in the latest Spring Styles and Materials. Also a complete line of the famous "Iron Clad" Hosiery. Call and see us, our prices are right.—V. S. Cook.

Waldron Chase has recently invested in a superb pianola. It is on exhibition at the hardware store and in the afternoons between 3 and 5 the instrument is put in motion for the benefit of those who desire to see how nicely it works. The instrument takes the place of a piano with piano player attached and does excellent work. Mr. Chase got it for his own personal use and will remove it to his residence in the course of a few weeks.

The Medicine Lodge Gun Club met at the office of Seward I. Field, Wednesday evening of last week, and reorganized for the coming season by electing the following officers: President, S. I. Field; 1st vice president, F. J. Cartan; 2nd vice president, C. A. Burney; secretary, S. W. Ireland; treasurer, J. C. Gano; field captain, Thos. Kenney. It was decided to place the fee for old members at 50 cents and for new ones at \$1. As there are a number of persons who have expressed a desire to join, the limit of membership was raised from 30 to 40. See further notice in these columns.

Steve Pritchard, the colored gentleman who was arrested for burglarizing a car two weeks ago, had his preliminary hearing before Justice Collins last Thursday. His bond was fixed at \$700. So far the bond has not been given and Steve is boarding with the sheriff. The young man is charged not only with breaking into a freight car but also with breaking open a butt of chewing tobacco and appropriating four plugs thereof to his own use. He was spied by Brakeman Park while the train was in motion. It required the entire train crew to catch him, thus again applying the old axiom so often portrayed in song:—"Taint no d'sgwace to run when you is sk'ed!"

AN AFTERNOON TEA.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church will give the third of a series of afternoon teas at the home of Mrs. Jas. Dobbs tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon. Mrs. Dobbs, Miss Benefiel and Mrs. C. W. Wilson will be the hostesses. A very pleasant social entertainment is in store for all who attend and a cordial invitation is extended to everyone.

A "Hit or Miss" social is an social event to be given at the home of Mrs. B. S. Kauffman on Kansas Avenue west tomorrow evening. Guests are expected to display novelty or peculiarity in dress, action or appearance in order to carry into effect, the purposes for which the entertainment was conceived. To enforce this rule a fine will be imposed on all guests who fail to comply with these expectations. The small sum of ten cents will be levied on all who partake of refreshments. This unique entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Epworth League.

FOR SALE—A good driving and saddle pony.—Geo. W. Urton.

C. Q. Chandler and son, Charley, visited in the city last Friday.

Take your chickens, turkeys, eggs hides and furs to the Gordon Poultry Company.

Kramer's Wanda, high patent flour, is the best in the market. Sold by H. D. Fair.

H. T. Woodward & Son always pay the highest market price for butter, eggs and poultry.

Bill Horn has quit the bus and dray for the present and John Merrill is the new driver in charge.

L. D. Sparks is learning the tonsorial art in Kansas City and will soon return home an expert.

The annual meeting of the M. E. Ladies' Aid Society occurs on the 2nd Friday of April. At that time the ladies will entertain their friends.

Duck hunting has been the rage during the stormy weather and the sportsmen have been bagging them lively. The local market has been overstocked.

A feather renovator from Oklahoma City, Mr. Patterson, rented Dr. Kociell's building—the former postoffice building—on Saturday and is now ready for business.

The Georgia Minstrels are composed of thirty-three people. They carry a fine band and please wherever they go. Don't forget that they will be at the opera house next Tuesday night.

Winter continues to linger in the lap of spring with stubborn tenacity. More snow Sunday and more blow Monday. Yesterday, however, Old Sol came out from his hiding place and everything was lovely again. But there is no telling how long it will last.

Since the change of the evening time table parties who desire to catch the evening mail must get into the postoffice before 5 o'clock. The bus leaves the postoffice at 5 and the mail is made up shortly before that time. It is important that the busy business man should remember the change.

Will Fuller's public sale of live stock at the stockyards at this place on Saturday was fairly well attended and good prices were commanded. Cows sold for \$25, 3-year-old steers in the neighborhood of \$30, and 2-year-olds averaged about \$24. Young and medium horses brought from \$75 to \$92 and the oldest and poorest sold as low as \$10. Taken all through everything brought better prices than anticipated.

GEORGIA MINSTRELS NEXT TUESDAY.

Someway or other it always happens that the judicious advertising succeeds. Judicious means many things. Some people better never advertise. This can be said of many shows. Some attractions better never advertise. Managers who are not honest, whose advertisements mislead and whose shows disappoint, they had better let advertising alone.

The managers of Richards & Pringle's Famous Georgia Minstrels endeavor to advertise nothing but what they can show. They are in a class by themselves, being the only recognized negro minstrels that play the first class theaters and cannot afford to mislead their patrons.

Some show people are careless in their statements. They become so used to writing "biggest" "grandest" "greatest" "best" and "world's largest" that they can only think in superlatives. They mean to be honest, probably are. They are merely careless, and failure is the price of carelessness.

Go to the opera house on Tuesday night, March 27th, and judge if the Georgias are over advertised.

NORMAL BEGINS JUNE 5TH.

The Index began the Normal Institute a month too late in last week's issue. It opens June 5th instead of July 5th as stated. We hope nobody will jump up and start a libel suit before this correction appears in print.

Park Moomau registered among the sick the latter part of last week.

Jas. Myers came up from Winchester last week to be with his brother, Will, in his sickness.

Will Dobbs of Oxford visited with his brother, Jim, and family a few days last and this week.

Saturday was St. Patrick's day but it hasn't been noticed that potatoe planting was all the rage.

Chas. Painter remains about the same. The present diagnosis is inflammation of the sciatic nerve.

Dr. Chester D. Updegraff has established himself at Englewood, Comanche county, and reports a good practice.

Mrs. W. E. Stout was taken with a relapse on Saturday and was very sick a few days but is now reported better.

The rough feed question is getting very interesting to stockmen who have been figuring on early grass. Hay is soaring at the altitude of \$10 per ton and hard to find at that price.

The Citizens State Bank has improved its force by the addition of Ed Newkirk of Moore township to its clerical department. Ed began work on Monday of last week. Mrs. Newkirk will move to the city as soon as a house can be secured.

After taking a change of venue in the Brownback-Hearn replevin case at Kiowa last week, the case was certified up to the district court by agreement of counsel without going through a formal preliminary trial. It will be for trial at the May term of court.

The Mamie Sheridan Wolford Dramatic Company which played in this city the three latter days of last week is extraordinarily strong. The company is composed of excellent artists all of whom were greatly appreciated by their Medicine Lodge audiences. Interest, of course, centered in the leading actress and she fully sustained her reputation. On account of the inclement weather the audiences were not as large as such a high class company deserves.